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- Growth Management of developing suburban communities by discouraging extensive growth and related infrastructure services and facilities outside designated growth areas and encouraging center-based planning and alternatives to conventional suburban design
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Title: Land Supply and Infrastructure Capacity Monitoring for Smart Urban Growth

Knaap

Lincoln Institute of Land Policy

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[#http://www.lincolnst.edu/pubs/pub-detail.asp?id=96#](http://www.lincolnst.edu/pubs/pub-detail.asp?id=96#)

Description:

The fundamental debate about urban growth—No growth, slow growth, go growth?—will never be resolved. As with politics and religion, all are entitled to their opinions, most of which derive more from deeply held beliefs than quickly calculated betas. As with politics and religion, there is something like agreement among a majority of people on very general principles (e.g., civilized life in the 20th century requires some form of government; there are benefits to some type of spiritual relationship with the universe), but that agreement disintegrates when one gets to the specifics (e.g., socialism or capitalism, Republican or Democrat, deist or agnostic, Christian or Moslem).

For urban growth there is a general agreement that it will occur, that it needs some type of management, and that such management requires (at least in part) public policies. The disagreements about growth management are about how many and which policies to use, and how extensively to apply them. Growth management, however, has some measurable dimensions not available in metaphysics. The type, location, amount, and rate of urban growth can all be measured; so can other factors that are correlated with and perhaps cause urban growth. This paper is motivated by the belief that such measures can be assembled, monitored, and analyzed to gain a better understanding of urban growth processes and growth management policy.

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Title: Land, Infrastructure, Housing Costs and Fiscal Impacts Associated with Growth: The Literature on the Impacts of Sprawl versus Managed Growth

Burchell

Lincoln Institute of Land Policy

1/1/1995

Book

[#http://www.lincolninst.edu/pubs/pub-detail.asp?id=149#](http://www.lincolninst.edu/pubs/pub-detail.asp?id=149#)

Description:

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Title: Smart Growth Hall Of Fame 2001

Kramer

Colorado Sprawl Action Center

12/5/2001 PDF file

[#http://www.environmentcolorado.org/reports/smartgrowth2001.pdf#](http://www.environmentcolorado.org/reports/smartgrowth2001.pdf)

Description:

Recognizes ten developments and planning decisions across Colorado that exhibit good growth management and smart growth principles. Displays a variety of growth management tools that are available to local governments and decision makers.

Tool or Topic: **Public Service Concurrency**

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Title: Colorado Sprawl Action Center's Growth Management Toolkit

Kramer

Colorado Sprawl Action Center

10/1/2001

Website

[#http://www.sprawlaction.org/toolkit#](http://www.sprawlaction.org/toolkit#)

Description:

Describes eleven tools used to guide and manage growth: comprehensive planning, impact fees, open space protection and funding, affordable housing, urban growth boundaries and contiguity, designing livable communities, incentives, intergovernmental agreements and regional planning, rural lands protection, public service concurrency, transportation planning. Each tool is described in terms of problem, solution, application and internet resources.

Tool or Topic: **Public Service Concurrency**

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Title: Managing Growth: Infrastructure Concurrency - Implementation
Barriers and Ways to Overcome Them

Bickel

Delaware Valley Regional Planning
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Book

[#http://www.dvrpc.org/asp-
files/pubs/PublicationAbstract.asp?pub_ID=02006#](http://www.dvrpc.org/asp-files/pubs/PublicationAbstract.asp?pub_ID=02006#)

Description:

This report explores the concept of infrastructure concurrency, a growth management tool that ties development to the availability of public facilities. It examines the background of this planning technique, including several case studies of its use, and describes the results of a survey conducted by DVRPC to gauge support for concurrency within the region. Finally, it concludes that concurrency is not presently a feasible technique in the region, and provides recommendations for steps that can be taken to increase its viability.

Tool or Topic: **Water and Wastewater**

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Title: Toward a Bright Future: Updating Sonoma County's General Plan

Steinbach

Greenbelt Alliance

11/1/2004 PDF file

http://www.greenbelt.org/downloads/resources/SonomaGP/report_sonoma_gp.pdf#

Description:

The first comprehensive analysis of the update process since it began, this report recommends how to update Sonoma County's General Plan to deal with the county's projected growth of 130,000 people by 2025. Report addresses five critical issues for the plan: (1) preserving open space and wildlife habitat, (2) protecting farmlands and keeping local agriculture viable, (3) managing water and wastewater, (4) providing affordable housing, (5) providing transportation that works.

Cover downloaded separately at http://www.greenbelt.org/downloads/resources/SonomaGP/report_gpcover.pdf